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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the action dated April 25, 2001, finally rejecting claims 1-11.

A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 to extend the time to respond to the final rejection for 2 month(s) to and including September 25, 2001 is enclosed.

A check in the amount of \$310 for the appeal fee is enclosed. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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